

Job Title	Buyer, Senior	FLSA Status	Exempt
Band	PRO	Probationary Period	12 Months
Zone	6	Job Code	12634

Class Specification - Buyer, Senior

Summary Statement:

The purpose of this position is no perform complex technical duties related to the purchasing of services, supplies, and equipment in accordance with established City policies, regulations, and other federal and state guidelines.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:

This is the advanced journey level class in the Buyer series. Positions at this level possess a specialized, technical, or functional expertise within the area of assignment and may exercise lead supervision over assigned lower level staff. Employees are typically assigned significant responsibilities above the journey level and often exercise independent judgment in the performance of all duties. This class is distinguished in that it performs the most complex work assigned to series and serves in a working supervisory capacity over lower level staff.

Essential Functions	Note: Regular and predictable attendance is an essential function in the performance of this job.	
Time % (All below must add to 100%)	w must is only intended to be an approximation over the course of a full year	
50%	Initiates Request for Quote (RFQ) process for simplified acquisitions for the City for services, supplies, and equipment; consults with users and outside consultants to develop specifications; prepares RFQ documents and oversees the solicitation process; and performs quote analysis and makes recommendations regarding purchases/awards. Prepares and processes purchase orders; obtains proper business documentation to validate, sets up, assign, and track vendor data; and verifies appropriateness of budget codes and availability of funds. Determines and develops appropriate sources of supply and maintains cooperative working relationships with vendors to stay current with trends and technologies and products and services.	
40%	Maintains complex filing system for all City contracts in accordance with City policies; interprets contracts for appropriate language and formats; and prepares reports as needed. Maintains and reviews necessary insurance certificates for the City. May be responsible for and specialize in specific commodities.	



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10	0%	Resolves problems and issues arising from purchase of services, supplies, and
		equipment with internal and external clients. Maintains compliant files for internal and
	external audit. Pursues continual process improvement and cost efficiency.	

Competencies Required:

Human Collaboration Skills: Work may require providing advice to others outside direct reporting relationships on specific problems or general policies. Contacts may require the consideration of different points of view to reach agreement. Elements of persuasion may be necessary to gain cooperation and acceptance of ideas.

Reading: Advanced - Ability to read literature, books, reviews, scientific or technical journals, abstracts, financial reports, and/or legal documents. Ordinarily, such education is obtained at the college level or above. However, it may be obtained from experience and self-study.

Math: Intermediate - Ability to deal with system of real numbers; practical application of fractions, percentages, ratios/proportions and measurement. Ordinarily, such education is obtained in high school up to college. However, it may be obtained from experience and self-study.

Writing: Advanced - Ability to write editorials, journals, speeches, manuals, or critiques. Ordinarily, such education is obtained at the college level or above. However, it may be obtained from experience and self-study.

Technical Skills Required:

Skilled in a Technical Field: Work requires a comprehensive, practical knowledge of a technical field with use of analytical judgment and decision-making abilities appropriate to the work environment of the organization.

Relevant Background and Formal Education: Demonstrated skills, competencies, and knowledge required for this job are most often acquired through the following practical experience and level of academic education and training as suggested below.

Education: Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with major coursework in business administration or related field.



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Experience: Five years of full-time responsible professional experience in procurement.

Education and Experience Equivalency:

One (1) year of the appropriate type and level of experience may be substituted for each required year of post-high school education.

Additional appropriate education may be substituted for the minimum experience requirements.

Certifications and Licenses: Must possess or be able to acquire the following certifications		
and/or licenses.		
Certifications required in accordance with standards		
established by departmental policy.		

Supervision Exercised:

Work requires functioning as a lead worker performing essentially the same work as those directed, and includes overseeing work quality, training, instructing, and scheduling of work.

Supervision Received:

Receives General Direction: This job title normally performs the job by following established standard operating procedures and/or policies. There is a choice of the appropriate procedure or policy to apply to duties. Performance reviewed periodically.

Fiscal Responsibility:

This job title does research for documents, compiles data for computer entry, and/or enters or oversees data entry. Has responsibility for monitoring budget/fiscal expenditures (typically non-discretionary expenditures) for a work unit of less than department size (programs, activities, projects or small organizational units) or responsibility for fiscal management of capital project(s).

Physical Demands:

Exerting up to 10 lbs. occasionally or negligible weights frequently; sitting most of the time.

Environmental Conditions	Frequency
Primary Work Environment	Office Environment



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Extreme Temperature	Never
Wetness and Humidity	Never
Respiratory Hazards	Never
Noise and Vibrations	Never
Physical Hazards	Never
Mechanical and/or Electrical Hazards	Never
Exposure to Communicable Diseases	Never

Machines, Tools, Equipment, and Work Aids: Computer, printer, copier, telephone, and standard office equipment.

Specialized Computer Equipment and Software: Microsoft Office.

The description above is intended to represent only the key areas of responsibilities; specific job assignments, duties, and environmental conditions will vary depending on the business need of the department and the particular assignment.

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